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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE \*Application of

CAPAN et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1623

Examiner: G. Krishnan

ECH CENTER BOOM CATALYTIC PROCESS FOR MODIFYING CARBOHYDRATES, ALCOHOLS,

ALDEHYDES OR POLYHYDROXY COMPOUNDS

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

10.00 DA 920.00 OP

## PETITION AND FEE FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.17, 1.136(a) AND 35 USC 41(a)8

Sir:

For:

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Asst. Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by three (3) month(s). Enclosed is our check No. 12584 which includes the amount of \$920.00 for the petition fee in accordance with 37 CFR 1.17 computed as:

_X_	Respo	nse within third month	
	X	not small entity (\$920)	small entity (\$460)

You are authorized to charge to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700 any additional amounts owing.

If this petition is inadequate to avoid abandonment, the Assistant Commissioner for Patents is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), to extend the time by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. §1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on September 10, 2003:

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Name of applicant, assignee or Registered Representative

September 10, 2003

Date of Signature

RCF/CCA:lac

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